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The Future of the Cathedral

The Need of Making Our Cathedral Church of Christ Adequate for Our Diocesan Life Offers Itself As a Challenging Project for the Whole Diocese

Cathedrals of the Christian Church belong to the ages, sometimes consuming a century or more in time for their erection. Only in rare instances, and doubtless the Cathedral of the Diocese of New York will belong to this group, are they completed in one's life span. Most of them mark, in their erection period, one or more great events in the history of a nation or a people, or an all important epoch in the life of the historic church of Christ. The study of the construction of any of the important Cathedrals throughout the world necessitates an intimate knowledge of both the Church's life and historical events of the nation where it is located. This pertains not only to the structure itself, but to every Chapel and important portion of the vast edifice.

We are engaged, along with most of all the nations of the earth, in the greatest and most terrible war of human history. Whatever good can be said for the war rests in the possibility that out of all the human bravery, self-sacrifice, idealism and the supreme offering of millions of lives in death, there may come some advancement in civilization that will make future wars impossible, because God's rule has been extended further on earth. We know of a certainty that future goodness and righteousness, the power to overcome evil, of which war is one of the awful results, rests in the extension, intensity and pervading in-

fluence of the Christian Church. This fact has found response in ages past, when, after wars, in the midst of economic depressions, to commemorate whatever is the good that evolves from warfare, great Christian Cathedrals have been built or adorned to the glory of God and as a witness of the Church to the power of Christ to redeem human nature.

As the present conflict, we sincerely trust, is drawing to a close,

our own Diocese offers us the opportunity to focus the commemoration of the thousands of members of the Church, who went into every part of the war effort, in one supreme effort to develop our Cathedral to the point where it can render full service in the life of the Diocese. At present it is inadequate in size and facilities to be of much use. What is needed, first of all, is to complete the choir and the crossing



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so as to have a Church building capable of seating 800 to 1000 people. This would require the construction of three more bays and that central section of the nave from which extend the two transepts. Another small chapel, like that of St. Michael now in use, should be built out from the second new bay, so that the south entrance to the Cathedral could be developed between these two chapels, making a worthy entrance to the Cathedral for a long time to come.

Along with the building of the church portion, there should be erected north of the Cathedral, and connected by a cloister, a large building, somewhat similar to a parish house, with all the facilities necessary to care for the Diocesan Convention and other diocesan gatherings, for retreats and quiet days, conferences, vestries and choir rooms. It is to be hoped the Bishop's residence, or one for an assistant Bishop, and another for a resident canon will be erected. There is adequate space for a number of diocesan institutions and houses to be grouped around the Cathedral, providing a center for Church life that would function and pulsate all through the Diocese.

Instead of memorials and commemorations of all sorts in the parishes, the need of making our Cathedral Church of Christ adequate for our diocesan life offers itself as a challenging project for the whole Diocese. Every congregation, in proportion to its ability to raise the needed funds, could assume the cost of a particular portion of the construction, the bays, the crossing, the aisles, the pillars, the windows, the chapel, the south entrance, or any part thereof, which would then commemorate all who lost their lives in the war, all who served in any capacity or in war work. Such commemoration would be preserved in a Book of Commemoration, an age-long remembrance and monument as a part of our Church's life. The new chapel, which by reason of size and place corresponds to the traditional chantry chapels of older cathedral foundations, might be dedicated to all of our fellow Church members who died in the war. Here their names would adorn the walls, representing every Congregation in the Diocese.

All that I have written is but basic in the possibilities afforded in the near future for the development

of our Cathedral Church of Christ in Upper Roxborough. Many more suggestions may be sent to the Secretary of the Chapter. The day has surely gone by when anyone who knows something of the future planning for our city, doubts the wisdom of its location. Ridge Avenue and Henry Boulevard are to become wide highways leading from the center and north sections of the city, with bus service from all sections. A bridge across the Schuylkill, contemplated in the tri-county plan, will lead from Cathedral road across to the Main Line, bringing all parts of the Diocese in lower Montgomery as well as Delaware and Chester Counties within rela-

tively short motoring distance. It is nearly the highest point in Philadelphia, practically in the geographic center of the population of the Diocese, a city of God set on a hill, freed of the inconveniences of the congested center of the city. Many years ago the sites for both the New York and the Washington Cathedrals were likewise far out and their respective conventions were frequently the scenes of conflict over such unwise selection of sites. Now those responsible are called blessed in both those dioceses. So it will be in ours. Let us have vision and the determination to do this work for God and man at this auspicious moment. JAMES M. NIBLO.

Phoebe, Yesterday & Today

Phoebe Is Motivated by Opportunities for Service Rather Than Considerations of Salary

We remember Phoebe because of St. Paul's mention of her in Romans 16:1. She appears to have been the first deaconess, but the pages of Church history reveal the names of others less familiar to us: Sophia, "the bride and servant of Christ"; Deaconess Olympius, "whose praise for many causes goes among the churches"; Pentadia, "the support of the city—a firm bulwark for those in distress."

About the time of St. Chrysostom, the fourth century, there were forty deaconesses on the staff of the Church of St. Sophia in Constantinople. From the fifth to the eleventh century in Italy, Antioch, Gaul and Armenia, many deaconesses are named who evidently rendered praiseworthy service to the Church. Anastasia, "the patrician, the deaconess"; Theodora, "deaconess of blessed memory"; Valeriana, "deaconess and abbess," and many others.

In Rome as well as in Asia Minor the work of deaconesses was evidently held in high esteem by popes and bishops until the year 1054 when Christendom became divided into the Church of the East and the Church of the West. It is difficult to trace the work of the Deaconess Order in the Eastern Church after that date. In the Western Church sisterhoods multiplied rapidly. The service rendered by religious communities then, as now, was of incalculable value; although dedicated primarily to a life of prayer, the sisters quali-

fied as nurses, teachers and missionaries.

Was there any longer a place in the Church's ministry for the Deaconess? Had the dedicated woman working alone in the name of the Church become a thing of the past?

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In the year 1855 "The United Deaconesses of Baltimore" was organized under Bishop Whittingham of Maryland, and in 1861 Elizabeth Katherine Ferrard was "set apart" in the City of London by Bishop Tait, later Archbishop of Canterbury, and the first Deaconess House was opened that same year. As a center of religious and social work, in the field of North London, this first Deaconess House became a radiating force and in several other dioceses similar houses were opened. The demand for deaconesses grew apace. *Phoebe had come back.*

"Principles and rules" for the Deaconess Order were adopted in 1871 by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York and 18 other bishops. Full canonical recognition was given by Canterbury and York, and a uniform service, "the form and making of deaconesses," was ordered for use in both provinces.

In 1889 the "Canon of Deaconesses" was adopted by the American Church and several training schools were opened. The required training and ecclesiastical status of a deaconess in the American Church is defined by this Canon.

"Set apart" with due solemnity by the Bishop, "protected by the simple, distinctive dress," as suggested by Canon 24, the present-day deaconess finds unlimited opportunities for service open before her. She is at liberty to accept work in any field to which she may be called, subject to canonical recognition by the Bishop.

Phoebe belongs peculiarly to the present day, for never before have women enjoyed such wide choice as to vocation. The *Living Church Annual*, official publication of the American Church, lists about 200 names of deaconesses, most of whom are in active service. This list is like an airplane view of the Church's work. Beyond the Arctic Circle, in the pathless Everglades of Florida, and far away in bomb-torn China and the Philippines, we find the deaconess at work. We see her teaching Mission Schools in the Isles of the Sea, gathering little Indian boys and girls together for confirmation instruction in the far West. It presents a varied picture.

Nearer home equally wide and delightful vistas open before the Phoebe of today. She may become a specialist in religious education, or an expert in social service, and as parish visitor her "calls count," as one priest puts it. It is a life full of radiant joy. The need for a daily re-dedication is well expressed in the following prayer suggested for the use of deaconesses:

"Take, O Lord, and receive my entire liberty, my memory, my understanding, and my whole will. All that I am, all that I have, Thou has given me and I give it back again to Thee, to be disposed of according to Thy good pleasure. Give me but Thy love and Thy grace for with these I am rich enough and ask no more."

Opportunity for training in specialized schools is offered in New York at St. Faith's, in Philadelphia at the Divinity School, at the Chicago Church Training School, and in California at the Church Training School of the Pacific, in Berkeley. The courses of study are thoroughly modern and adapted to the needs of the present day. Secretarial training may be included if desired and additional reading for an academic degree is offered.

In youth, or old age, in health or in sickness, the modern deaconess is the servant of Mother Church, as was Phoebe of old.

Bishop Hart's Message

Throughout the summer I have received letters from various laymen of the Diocese in which they have stated their views of my responsibility in connection with The Philadelphia Divinity School. To quote but one:

"While The Divinity School is not a diocesan institution, the Bishop of Pennsylvania simply cannot escape full responsibility for the all-round success of the School. Under present circumstances full responsibility for the future of the School must be accepted by you as Bishop. Your routine or other engagements should be so arranged as to permit you to follow The Divinity School in the close manner that would seem to be necessary."

On the other hand some have suggested that my duties as Bishop of Pennsylvania are more than enough for one man and, therefore, I ought to have only a nominal place on the Board of Trustees of The Divinity School.

In view of this wide difference of opinion, I would like to state my position as clearly as possible. Nothing is to be gained by running away from the problem or hiding behind technicalities about the official relationship of the School to

the Diocese. The future of the Diocese is clearly involved in the statesmanlike development of The Philadelphia Divinity School. In my opinion, we should determine that we are going to make the School the best in the Church. Obviously we of the Diocese have a real responsibility for the School, when it is considered that a large part of the leadership of this Diocese has been trained there. At present, of the 274 clergy canonically resident in this Diocese, 131 are Alumni of The Philadelphia Divinity School. Realizing this fact, I have gladly given much more time and thought to The Divinity School than to any other problem in the Diocese.

The way ahead for the School is the building of a stronger and stronger faculty. The Dean, who will be in residence at the School, must administer the School, set the spiritual tone and have personal oversight of the students. In order to secure the right man as Dean Evans' successor, we must all be able to assure him that the School has a real future.

Oliver Hart

The retiring fund incorporated in 1927 provides annuities for those who need them. It is by no means adequate at the present time. Gifts to the "Retiring Fund for Deaconesses" should be sent to the treasurer, Mr. Edmund Ruffin Beckwith, 20 Exchange Place, New York City.

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Phoebe, the servant of the Church, yesterday and today, is motivated by opportunities for service rather than by considerations of salary, and an element of risk is but added incentive to modern youth.

So to the young college woman seeking her life's work, in the words of St. Paul, "I commend unto you Phoebe, our sister."

Dean Evans of The Philadelphia Divinity School will speak on the work of The Divinity School over WCAU Sunday, October 8th, 1 to 1:30 P. M.

DIVINITY SCHOOL CAMPAIGN

The Joint Boards have approved a financial campaign for this fall which has come to be known as the Five-Year Plan. Under this arrangement the contributor will be asked to pledge for one year and express the intention only of giving a like amount for the four succeeding years.

With such a plan a success, the new Dean and Joint Boards will be enabled to devote their entire thoughts to the academic structure of the School, while the loss of time and the cost for the annual appeal will be eliminated.

At the time of its eightieth anniversary The Divinity School appears to be on the verge of its greatest opportunity through the training of the returning service men who are anxious to study for Holy Orders, as well as its usual complement of civilians.

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CHURCH'S ANTHEM

"O come let us sing unto the Lord."
Psalm 95.

*"Let us now praise famous men, such
as found out musical tunes and
recited verses in writing."*
Eccles. 44.

Some men spend all their lives investigating and exploring. They sail the seven seas and toil laborious days in jungles abroad and in laboratories at home, unresting and unsatisfied until they have penetrated the mysteries of this vast, strange universe. Their chief desire in life is to *know*. We call them scientists.

There are others, not so numerous, who seek beauty as their goal. They live to *feel* and find fulfillment of their personality not in seeking but in appreciating. To them the universe is a wondrous thing of line and form and harmony and color that does not need to be explained but only felt. Their eyes and ears delight in what they see and hear, their souls are satisfied by beauty and harmony. They, too, are noble men: we call them artists.

But there is another group, perhaps still smaller, who long above all to *be* rather than to know or to feel. To them the good life is the one thing altogether true and altogether lovely and altogether desirable, and they seek it ardently and persistently through discipline and devotion. Their will is to live in union with the will of God. We call them saints, and with them and their search the Church is chiefly concerned.

Unfortunately because of that fact Christian people have not always welcomed the first two classes to their company, but have rejected rudely the help that scientists and artists might render. Even up to our

own day the record of creation that scientists found in the rocks has been scorned by some Christians who feared for the record found in the Book; and likewise many monks in olden days and Puritans in later times have trembled lest Art should corrupt the purity of their faith.

But Art has usually been more warmly welcomed than Science. The fine arts—painting, sculpture, music and poetry—have for centuries been widely used in the worship of the Church, and, of these, more especially music and poetry. How heavily our souls would rise without the wings of music to lift them up to the throne of God. And poetry! Since the days of David man's aspiration after righteousness has always been best expressed in the accents of song. Indeed the great prophets have been great poets—and are yet. For not alone in Biblical times but even now does God take a few men up into the Mount of Vision where he whispers in their ears the living words which they bring down from on high for the rest of us to share. So Milton can reveal God's might as majestically as Moses, and Browning tell of God's redeeming love in as burning words as St. Peter, and Wordsworth awaken as vivid a sense of God's indwelling presence as St. John, and Tennyson sing of immortality in strains scarcely less beautiful and convincing than St. Paul himself.

How much more powerful and persuasive poetry is than prose is perfectly illustrated in one of our greatest hymns, "O God Our Help in Ages Past." If we say that "for thousands of years men have derived strength and support from their belief in God," those words, true as they are, have not one-tenth the emotional effect of the same truth sung in Isaac Watts' sublime poetry:

*"O God our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast
And our eternal home."*

Every kingdom on earth has its national anthem. This is the *national anthem of the Kingdom of God*.

Prayer. O God, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, guide them, we beseech thee, into the way of this truth and so establish among them the peace of brotherhood, that they may become the Kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

THE OLD MANLY CHEST

Two famous English clergymen returning on the same ship from a visit to America, one an Anglican, the other a Presbyterian, were comparing their impressions of American Christianity, and the Anglican bishop wrote: "We found ourselves surprisingly in agreement. There is no reverence anywhere—none in the vestry, none in the choir, none in the pulpit. Mine ears ache with the superlatives of self-paid compliments. Criticism is resented mortally. Indeed it is a degraded race in sensationalism."

We wonder what this bishop would have said if he had read a letter sent out this summer to the graduates of one of our own large seminaries (not Philadelphia) appealing for more money for theological education. Here are a few pearls from a long, cheap string: "The Alumni Essay galvanized the guys for another five years. I reported what you gave in 1943. It was some report! *You got a right to thump the old manly chest*. But 96 which kicked in last year haven't come across yet. The kids (soldiers) are thinking in spiritual terms. So, fellows, hop to it, but quick. Tell the people about the needs for money." And so on, with enough crude English and disgusting vulgarity to convince the educated laity that many of the clergy need some other kind of education even more than theological. No wonder it is difficult to interest the laity in this subject.

Victory Prayer By CANON EARP

ALMIGHTY GOD, Father of all mercies, we yield Thee hearty thanks and most high praise for the victories vouchsafed to the forces of our Country and of the United Nations. We thank Thee for every splendid deed of soldiers, sailors and airmen, for all the devotion of our people and for the promise of peace.

More especially we praise and bless Thy Name for those who were faithful unto death. Into Thy holy keeping we commend their souls. Make us worthy of their sacrifice as we enter the new day of hope for all mankind.

Let Thy will be done on earth that Thy kingdom may come in justice, mercy and lasting peace. Guide the nations to unity and concord that Thy way may be known upon earth, to Thy honor and glory;

*Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
AMEN.*

Authorized for use in the Diocese of Pennsylvania.—OLIVER J. HART.

SECRETARY'S NOTES

The Field Department, the Rev. Dr. Shreiner, Chairman, has completed its plans for the Every Member Canvass of 1944. The success of any plan depends on the co-operation of the whole Diocese. The Budget Committee can make its report to the Council, but the parishes and missions must be willing to accept their proportionate share (a term which is used in preference to the word, quota). The clergy were called into conference by Bishop Hart on September 24th, to discuss the plan. The Department of Finance reports to the Executive Council the plan and the proportionate share each mission and parish is expected to give. Then at the Convocation meetings the representatives of the parishes and missions accept their allocated share. It is expected that the Accounting Wardens and Treasurers will be present at their respective Convocations. Bishop Hart, Bishop Roberts and the Rev. Mr. Carman, of the National Council office, will speak at the meetings of Convocations, to be held as follows:

Chester—Oct. 10th—All Saints', Wynnwood, 10 A. M.

North Philadelphia—Oct. 10th—St. John's, Northern Liberties, 5 P. M.

Germantown—Oct. 11th—St. Luke's, Gtn., 11 A. M.

South Philadelphia—Oct. 11th—Gloria Dei, 5 P. M.

Norristown—Oct. 12th—Calvary, Conshohocken, 3.30 P. M.

West Philadelphia—Oct. 12th—St. Thomas', 4.30 P. M.

Every Member Canvass dates, November 12th to December 3rd. Material and information can be sent to the Chairman of the Parish Committee if his name and address has been sent to the Secretary's office in the Church House. Pledge cards are ready for distribution. Will the Chairman or Rector make a point of securing his supply early from the Secretary's office.

Please feel free to ask for any help which we may be able to give.—C. H. L.

October 1st, 4 P. M. Holy Trinity Parish House, 217 South 20th Street, Philadelphia. Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen of Every Member Canvass are expected to be present to discuss plans and methods for the Canvass.

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New Conference Held

The Purpose of This Conference Was to Co-ordinate the Work of the Diocese as a Whole

At the call of Bishop Hart the leaders of all Diocesan departments and organizations met at Beaver College on Friday afternoon, July 7th. The purpose of this conference was to co-ordinate the work of the Diocese.

Bishop Hart expressed his feeling that at some future date a "Diocesan Planning Council" might be formed, but that, at the present time, there is much to be done in "re-thinking" diocesan problems, some of which he reviewed.

As reports were made by the heads of the different organizations it became more and more evident that there is considerable overlapping of activity and confusion of dates.

After a long and spirited discussion the Conference made the fol-

lowing recommendations: First, that a diocesan calendar be printed. This was placed in the hands of the Rev. C. H. Long. Second, that there be a co-ordinated Study Program. This was given to the Rev. J. J. Guenther, chairman of the Forward in Service Commission. Third, that a further study be made of the functions of all diocesan organizations. Fourth, that at the Bishop's convenience there should be a very definite "Advance Program" of activities in which the entire Diocese can have a part.

On motion the Executive Council was asked to appoint a Committee of Reference.

Following the Conference all present were the guests of the Bishop at supper.



Conference of Diocesan Department and Organization heads held at the Diocesan Summer Conference on July 7th. Left to right: Back row—Rev. James M. Collins, City Mission; Mrs. James C. Gilbert, Daughters of the King; Rev. J. J. Guenther, Forward in Service; Mrs. M. B. Carson, Church Periodical Club; Elizabeth P. Frazier, Christian Education; Mrs. Burris, W. A., Convocation of Chester; Mrs. John Neil, Elizabeth Price Martin League; Mrs. Joseph Harrison, W. A., Convocation of North Philadelphia; Rev. Percy R. Stockman, Seamen's Church Institute; Rev. Thomas Meryweather, Department Christian Social Relations. Second row—Rev. Charles W. Shreiner, Convocation of Chester; Miss Ethel Pancoast, W. A., Convocation of West Philadelphia; Mrs. William Shock, Jr., Women's Auxiliary; Mrs. John E. Hill, Elizabeth Price Martin League; Roland McCarthy, Department of Property; Rev. N. Herbert Caley, Convocation of Germantown; Mrs. Frank Bonyng, W. A., Convocation of South Philadelphia; Rev. Frederick W. Blatz, Department Christian Education; Rev. Charles H. Long, Secretary of the Diocese. Front row—Mrs. Percy R. Stockman; Mrs. U. Grant Beath, League for the Isolated; Mrs. Francis R. Packard, Woman's Auxiliary; Bishop Hart; Rev. Frank Bonyng, Convocation of South Philadelphia.

New Churches

Ten-Year Expansion Plan Was Adopted on a Pay-as- You-Go Basis

A proposal that one new place of worship be erected every year for the next ten years was enthusiastically adopted by the Convocation of Chester at its spring meeting on May 23rd, in the Church of the Holy Sacrament, Highland Park.

As Dr. Shreiner, the Dean, and Mr. Freas B. Snyder, the Secretary, outlined the work to the delegates, the plan calls for an expenditure by the Diocese, of \$10,000 a year for ten years, beginning in 1945. By 1945, the Dean said that the missions of the Convocation would be rid of the burdensome mortgages that were hindering progress and would be free to undertake this ambitious program of Church extension in the new suburbs that have grown so rapidly in Delaware and Chester Counties. He doesn't like mortgages—he calls them “dead horses”—so the new plan is designed to avoid any association with such drawbacks: every new work will be established on a pay-as-you-go basis, and work number two will not be started until a year after work number one.

The first on the program is Broomall, where a lot has already been acquired in a strategic location at a price of \$5,000.

Another novel feature of the plan is that each new mission will be started in the way that seems best adapted to the peculiar conditions of the locality: if it seems that the needs of the community and the future progress of the Church would best be served by a church building, a church shall be built by the Convocation; but if it seems that a parish house would be more desirable, the Convocation will build that for the mission. In every case, however, only one building will be built by the \$10,000 assigned by the Convocation; any other buildings shall be left for the new mission to supply in the future. Since the Episcopal Church originated parish houses as social centers a half a century ago there has always been a question, when a new work is projected, whether to begin with a

church or a parish house. Zechariah, rebuilding Jerusalem, said that the altar must be built first, but many disagree with him now as very likely they did then, though the censor must have suppressed a record of their objections.

That is the plan. The money will be raised partly by the Woman's Aid, who will be responsible for \$2,500 a year, and in part by the parishes, which will give the other \$7,500 by an increase of 9% in their proportionate share of the Diocesan Budget.

Some of the new places, most of them still in their infancy, are Broomall, Buchmanville, McCaffreyville, Green Ridge and Highland Garden. Besides, the Dean stressed the need for strengthening the Negro missions, such as St. Luke's, Chester. There were, he said, 18,000 Negroes employed by the Sun Shipbuilding Company alone, for whom houses would have to be provided after the war and to whom the Convocation must minister in spiritual things.

It was a great day's work! Dean Shreiner has heard and obeyed the order that God gave to Moses and that He still gives to every religious leader, “Speak unto the people that they go forward.” This should be an inspiration to the other Convocations who have fields outside the city, for they also are receiving thousands of communicants moving out from our city parishes who must be followed by the Church. We are losing from the center; we must make sure to gain on the circumference.

SPECIAL ARTICLES

We are fortunate this month in having several special articles of unusual interest and importance to present to our readers. Dr. Niblo, who knows cathedrals both in Europe and America, presents his ideas of the possibilities for our own cathedral at Roxborough, which ought to interest all of us. Deaconess Nutter's account of the work of a modern deaconess should be read by our women and girls as well as the clergy. We need more “vocations” among our young people.

War Commission

New Election—On the Air— Free Manual—St. Stephen's Club

The Rev. Thomas A. Meryweather, Associate Rector of the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, has been elected Executive Director of the War Commission as of September 1st. He is a veteran of the last war and a member of the present Pennsylvania State Guard, and has long been active in veterans' affairs. He can be reached at the parish office during the morning (330 South 13th Street, Pen. 2883) or through the office of the War Commission in the Church House.

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On May 14th Bishop Hart gave an address on the Episcopal Church of the Air (Columbia Broadcasting System) entitled “The Church and the Returning Service Man.” This address has been reprinted and distributed. Excerpts from the many letters received from Chaplains who heard or read the address are being printed and will be distributed to the clergy of the Diocese.

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Three thousand copies of “A Manual for Service Men,” prepared by the Forward Movement, have been secured through the generosity of the Female P. E. Prayer Book Society. These are available for distribution (free) at the office of the War Commission. They are splendid little books to send to service men and women.

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St. Stephen's Club, during the summer, continued to provide hospitality to a large number of service men. The success of their center is in large measure due to the untiring efforts of volunteers; women and girls, who, even through the period of the transportation strike, were “on the job”; and clergy who have acted as chaplains. Many parishes are represented in this group and it is hoped that additional parishes will play a part during the coming fall and winter.

The “Upper Room” has played a real part in the scheme of things. It is a room for quiet music or in

which the chaplain may have serious conferences with the men. The religious books to be found there are frequently used.

Those who wish to give of their time or who will supply some of the needs of this Club are asked to contact Mrs. P. Blair Lee or Mrs. Nelson at the Club, 923 Ludlow Street (Lombard 0455).

The Bishop's Christmas card is now being prepared. The clergy are requested to be ready to requisition these by October 15th.

A series of four conferences for clergy of Philadelphia, sponsored by the Protestant Council for Service Men (Philadelphia Federation of Churches) will be held during October. The purpose is to supply the clergy with information relative to aids for returning service men. Further information may be secured at the office of the War Commission.

THE AUTUMN RETREAT

One of the largest and most successful Clergy Retreats ever held in the Diocese was conducted by the Rev. E. Frank Salmon, D.D., at Holiday House, Sellersville, from Monday afternoon, September 11th, until Thursday morning.

Dr. Salmon began his meditations by stressing the needs of a Retreat. He then took up the study of our Ordination vows and emphasized throughout the idea of "Consecration," "The Consecration of Our Hearts and Emotions," "The Consecration of Our Minds and Their Thoughts," and finally "The Consecration of Our Wills and Their Decisions."

All who were privileged to be present were spiritually stimulated, and a greater interest was shown in the development of the Retreat movement. Of course, the one great need is a "Retreat House" where "Quiet Days" and "Week-end Retreats" can be held more frequently.

Bishop Hart, who had expected to attend the Retreat, was at the last moment prevented from coming and telephoned his regrets and best wishes.

A "vote of thanks" was unanimously given by the retreatants to

Miss Marjorie Gammon and Mr. and Mrs. Taylor for their fine cooperation and to Dr. Salmon and the Vestry of the Church of the Holy Trinity for the use of Holiday House.

The work of the Retreat Association has been taken over by the Forward in Service Commission and plans are being made for Quiet

Days for the laity during the fall and winter. The clergy of the Diocese have been asked to send in the names of interested persons to whom additional information may be sent.

An Advisory Committee has been appointed, including Lee Sowden, Jacob Stair, Jr., Frederick B. Stimson, Mrs. Frank V. Burton and Mrs. A. Disston Rile.

Our New Chancellor

Robert T. McCracken Has an Enviably Background as a Lawyer, Business Man and Citizen

In the new Chancellor, the Diocese of Pennsylvania is fortunate in obtaining as its legal adviser not only an experienced and eminent lawyer, but a man of education, culture and of unusual personal charm.

Born in Philadelphia on July 15, 1883, the son of James S. and Josephine (Thompson) McCracken, Robert T. McCracken received his school education at the Central High School and graduated at the University of Pennsylvania with the Class of 1905, and at the U. of P. Law School with the Class of 1908, in which year he was admitted to the Bar of Philadelphia. At college he joined the Psi Upsilon Fraternity, in which organization he took an active interest, as he did in all college affairs. He was elected to the Sphinx Senior Society, a mark of recognition of his classmates, and his fine work scholastically won him his Phi Beta Kappa key.

Now, at the age of 61, he is at the top of his profession in Pennsylvania. He has been President of the Pennsylvania Bar Association, and is Vice-Chancellor of the Philadelphia Bar Association, and it is recognized that he will be its next Chancellor. There are few matters of first importance in the courts of Philadelphia, State or Federal, in which he does not represent one of the parties in interest. Eminent as he has been in the trial of causes before a jury, he has been even more so in the appellate courts; and as an adviser, few lawyers, if any, are more highly regarded.

In the business world, too, he is well known, being a director in various corporations, including the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Penn

Mutual Life Insurance Co. and the E. G. Budd Mfg. Co. He is an active trustee of the University of Pennsylvania, and no large civic or philanthropic movement in Philadelphia is complete without him.

While keenly interested in the political affairs of his community, the State and the Nation, he has never been an active politician, though his legal advice is frequently sought in political matters.

But he has not been content to be a lawyer and business man only. A man of wide reading, with an exceptionally retentive memory, his broad knowledge of history and literature, and the ease and intelligence of his conversation have caused him to be recognized and sought after in all circles in which culture is appreciated and valued. He is a vestryman and a member of St. Peter's Church, Germantown.



Woman's Auxiliary

MRS. OLIVER J. HART, *Editor*
MRS. J. EARLE STOCKTON, *Chairman*

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Thankfulness for the victories that have been achieved and a prayer that love, wisdom and courage may fill our hearts and minds are ours as we start another winter's work in these terribly difficult times of world reconstruction that lie ahead. The future will surely test us as Christians. The influence and work of the women of the Church must be made more vital and effective. To do this we must broaden and revitalize our worship, our educational and work programs.

The suggested outline of the Educational Department for the year's study will be in the October issue of the Woman's Auxiliary Calendar. It will follow the program of "Forward in Service," the theme of which is "The Christian Fellowship."

The two courses of study, "The American Indian" and "Southeast Asia," are planned to help us understand our fellow men.

The Educational Day of the Woman's Auxiliary will be October 9th. Mrs. S. Harrington Littell, who will speak on "Southeast Asia," is well qualified to give a comprehensive view of that part of the world, and will add greatly to the interest of the day. Mrs. Robert Frazier's subject will be "The American Indian." Mrs. Frazier will also conduct a course on this subject in Advent, the dates Wednesdays, November 8th, 15th and 22nd. It is hoped that every parish group will plan some study of both these subjects.

It gives us all the greatest pleasure to welcome Mrs. William Payne Roberts, whose husband, Bishop Roberts, of Shanghai, will be in the Diocese this winter. We know that she will make a valuable contribution to the work of the Woman's Auxiliary.

MARGARET PACKARD.

QUIET EVENING

A Quiet Evening for Women, Saturday, November 4th, from 4:30 to 9:00 P. M. Conductor, the Rev. Peter C. Van der Hiel, Jr. Please register well in advance. Saint Margaret's House, 5419 Germantown Avenue. Telephone Victor 4612.

THE MISSION SHOP

The Shop will be open for business Wednesday, October 4th, under the direction of the new Chairman, Mrs. Alden Q. Davis. We would like women from all Guilds and Auxiliaries to send articles to sell. The Shop hopes to become a popular center. Keep this in mind when you are Christmas or gift shopping.

UNITED THANK OFFERING

The Fall Presentation Service of the United Thank Offering will be held Thursday, November 2nd, at 8 P. M., at St. Mark's Church, 16th and Locust Streets. The Forward in Service Commission of the Diocese and the Educational Department of the Woman's Auxiliary are joining in this service again this year. We are fortunate in having Bishop Roberts of Shanghai for our preacher and Bishop Hart to accept the offering.

MAY FETE

With the promise of victory in the near future to brighten our hearts comes a note of sadness. Our men will return maimed, many blind, their work for us finished; ours for them will have just begun.

The members of the May Fete Committee of the Hospital of the Protestant Episcopal Church know that you need no reminder of their appreciation of your continued financial support, which is more necessary now than ever before.

Your individual donations have kept the work alive and when victory is ours we hope that the May Fete will take its old place among happy anticipated events on the grounds of the Hospital.

We are looking forward to the pleasure of thanking you in person on Wednesday, November 15th, at an "Open-House" Tea to be held at the Hospital from 2 until 5 o'clock. There will be a musical service in our beautiful chapel at 2:30; we trust that many will join us.

The May Fete Committee makes but one appeal each year, so that donations may be sent as late as December 31, 1944.

MRS. J. HECTOR MCNEAL,
Publicity Chairman.

EDUCATIONAL DAY

OF THE PENNSYLVANIA BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY MONDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1944

Theme—"THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP"

- 10:00 A.M. CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY—Service of Holy Communion.
An opportunity to dedicate ourselves anew to establishing the Christian Fellowship.
- 10:45 A.M. CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY PARISH HOUSE—
Presiding Officers: Mrs. Francis R. Packard, Mrs. William H. Jefferys.
"Forward in Service"—Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D.
Presentation of Study Topics:
"Southeast Asia"—Mrs. S. Harrington Littell, wife of the former Bishop of Honolulu.
"The American Indian"—Mrs. Robert Frazier, formerly of the Missionary Districts of Wyoming and South Dakota.
- 12:45 P. M. Prayer for the Christian Fellowship—
Rev. Jesse F. Anderson, St. Thomas' Church, Philadelphia.
- 1-2 P. M. Luncheon—(75c)
The capacity of the parish house is limited, therefore no reservations will be accepted after WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4TH. Checks should be made payable to the Pennsylvania Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary and sent to Mrs. U. Grant Beath, Woman's Auxiliary Office, 202 South 19th Street, Philadelphia 3, Pa.
- 2:00 P. M. Afternoon Session.
"Our Diocesan Department of Christian Education"—
Miss Elizabeth Frazier.
- Open Forum.
- Registration Fee, 25c—

The Department of Education joins again with the United Thank Offering and the Forward in Service Commission in a SPECIAL SERVICE to be held in St. Mark's Church, 1625 Locust Street, Thursday evening, November 2nd, at 8 P. M.

COME AND SEE TOURS

Friends and parishioners throughout the Diocese of Pennsylvania were urged to join the "Come and See Tours" of the United War Chest Campaign by the Rev. E. Felix Kloman, Rector of Old Christ Church and Chairman of the Department of Christian Social Relations, at a meeting of the Executive Committee held on Friday, September 8th, at the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, 13th and Spruce Streets. Mr. Kloman pointed out that an intelligent understanding of the functions and work carried on by the community agencies, especially those established under the auspices of the Protestant Episcopal Church, is becoming more essential now than ever before. The time is approaching when community agencies cannot rely upon the popular appeal of the war services now included in the United War Chest. They must draw their support from public interest in, and understanding of, their own programs. "There is no better way to stimulate support for the worthwhile work done by our agencies than to see them in action for yourself," says Mr. Kloman.

The "Come and See Bureau" of the United War Chest, 123 South Broad Street, is ready and willing to arrange tours to suit the convenience of groups at all times. Call RIT. 3520, or write for appointments.

According to the United War Chest, the Episcopal Church institutions in the Diocese of Pennsylvania received \$168,540.00 in 1943.

The following table shows how the amount was distributed:

Church Mission of Help..	\$7,336.00
Galilee Mission	15,420.00
House of the Holy Child..	26,180.00
Phila. P. E. City Mission:	
Family Welfare Dept...	37,556.00
Home for Consumptives	23,038.00
Seamen's Church Institute	18,440.00
Sheltering Arms	21,596.00
St. Agnes House	5,128.00
St. Martha's House	13,846.00

St. John's Settlement House, 1332 North 12th Street, became a participating agency in the United War Chest as of June 1, 1944.

ELECTION

The Rev. Charles H. Long was elected Canon of the Cathedral by action of the Chapter and approved and appointed by the Bishop of the Diocese.

BEQUESTS

St. Peter's Church, Phoenixville, received a bequest of \$500 under the will of William Sweeney, who died May 19th.

The Church of St. James the Less, Clearfield Street and Hunting Park Avenue, was left \$2,000 by Mrs. Emma P. Wilcox, who died July 12th.

Mrs. Sarah Guerin left \$500 to Christ Church, 6th and Venango Streets, and named the Episcopal Hospital as a residuary legatee of the balance of her \$25,000 estate.

Mr. Isaac Wilson, who died August 8th, bequeathed \$1,000 to the City Mission and \$500 to the Church of the Holy Trinity, to be used for the Chapel of the Prince of Peace, 22nd and Morris Streets.

The Rev. John Robbins Hart, Rector of the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, received a legacy of \$10,000 from the estate of Georganna F. Dean, to be used for the work of the Chapel at his discretion.

A bequest of \$2,000 was made to the children's department of the Church Home for Consumptives at Chestnut Hill, under the will of Mrs. Mary E. B. Perot, who died on June 4th.

The Church of the Advent, Haboro, was awarded \$5,000 under the will of Miss Susan Hutchinson Fulmor, who died on August 18th in Germantown.

St. Paul's Church, Chestnut Hill, received a bequest of \$5,000 from Julia Hebard Marsden, of Chestnut Hill, who died on May 16th.

Program of the Clerical Brotherhood

By REV. RALPH E. COONRAD

The Executive Committee of the Clerical Brotherhood is really a Committee on Arrangements. Although some may think the Committee to have been affected by Philadelphia's summer heat (a kind of conditioning for the life to come), yet it functioned all summer and is able to present a partial program for the coming season.

The Committee believes its program to be an outstanding one, worthy of the time and support of every clergyman in this Diocese. All of the names on its roster of speakers, many of them laymen, are exceptionally busy men and women. Most of them come at their own expense. The scope of the program is broad and well covers all shades of thought, religious and social, in the Church. In several instances the Committee has asked eminent persons to present papers on their specific subjects. This has been done with some fear and trembling, for while it is recognized that the clergy ought to be interested sufficiently to give up some of their time to hear specialists on subjects of importance this day, yet attendance in the past has been none too encouraging.

The Brotherhood ought to be a kind of religious forum, interested in all phases of life, theology and philosophy, which go on about us and inevitably affect the Church. There likely are some subjects with which individual clergymen may not agree, or in which they are not in-

terested, but no program can be a success unless individual whims are sublimated for the benefit of the whole group. The Committee simply asks for the whole-hearted support of its efforts.

The program is to begin on Monday, September 18th. There will be a meeting every Monday thereafter, except on notice, until June 11, 1945. Of the possible thirty-six meetings, twenty have already been assigned to speakers. Other subjects have been "cooking on the fire" but no speakers have been obtained for them to date. The wording of the titles below is subject to change, and perhaps some dates, but the subject matter of the essay has been established. Doctors Cailliet and Clark have consented to give their papers, subject, of course, to the hours the University of Pennsylvania may set for their lectures.

September 18—The Rev. Dr. John K. Shryock, "The Cultural Function of Religion."

October 2—The Rt. Rev. Dr. Oliver James Hart. Bishop Hart will choose his own subject.

October 9—The Rev. James M. Collins, Superintendent of City Mission, has a provocative paper, "What the Priest Can Learn from the Social Worker."

October 16—The Rev. David Holmes, Rector of St. Stephen's, Norwood, member of the Commission on Weekday Religious Education, "The Philosophy of Education."

October 23—The Rev. William F. Christian, Oneida Mission, Rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Oneida, Wisconsin, "Christian Mission to the Indian."

(To be continued)

Department of Christian Education

74TH ANNUAL CHURCH SCHOOL INSTITUTE, OCTOBER 2ND

The 74th Annual Church School Institute will be held at the Christian Association, 36th and Locust Streets, on Monday, October 2nd, from 5 to 10 P. M. Clergy, superintendents and teachers of the Diocese have found that attendance at this Institute is a good way to prepare for the Church School year. The program and exhibits furnish inspiration and new ideas. This year there will be conferences for the clergy and superintendents on how to present missions to children and on how to develop and train teachers. For the teachers there will be a talk by the Rev. Albert O. Judd on the Church School Teacher—1944, and departmental conferences with teachers who have had successful classes, telling how it is done. For all there will be the supper when Bishop Hart will give his yearly message to the teachers, and the closing session when the Cathedral film, "Who Is My Neighbor?" based on the story of the Good Samaritan, will be shown with suggestions for its use offered by the Rev. William A. Thompson, Rector of St. Paul's, Aramingo.

SCHOOL OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nine classes will be offered in the School of Christian Education which will be held at the Church House on six Tuesdays, starting October 17th (omitting November 7th). The evening starts with a short service in the Church of the Holy Trinity—7:15 to 7:35 P. M.—led by the Rev. Alfred W. Price, Rector of St. Stephen's Church. Moving over to the Church House the entire school will attend a class on "Christian Fellowship—Interracial Understanding," which is part of the Forward in Service emphasis for 1944-45. Outstanding speakers in the field will address the class each week. The Rev. Thomas A. Fraser, of St. George's, New York, in accepting our invitation to speak at the first session, said, "This is a very timely subject for Philadelphians in view of the P. T. C. strike." This class will run from 7:40 to 8:35 P. M.

The second period—8:40 to 9:30 P. M.—offers a choice of eight classes which should meet the needs of most Church people. The Rev. Frederick W. Blatz will teach a course on "Amos—Prophet of Social Righteousness"; "The Sermon on the Mount," the Rev. John K. Shryock; "The Fellowship of the Prayer Book," the Rev. J. J. Guenther; "Indian Americans," Mrs. Robert P. Frazier; "Training for Leaders of Acolytes and Servicers," the Rev. Walter C. Pugh; "How to Teach in the Church School," Miss Jane M. Welte; "Guiding the 12-14-Year-Old in Christian Growth," Mrs. James Ludwig; "Interracial Understanding," a follow-up to the class in the first period, Miss Marjorie D. Gammon, Chairman, with the speaker of the evening attending. Registration is 50c for the six sessions.

RT. REV. WILLIAM P. ROBERTS

Bishop Roberts will assist Bishop Hart throughout the year in visiting parishes and missions in administering the rite of Confirmation. He



will be present in the Church House every Monday and at 4 P. M. the service of Confirmation will be conducted by him in the Bishop's Chapel. Arrangements are to be made through the Secretary of the Diocese.

YOUTH CONVENTION

The Diocesan Youth Convention will be held on Saturday, October 14th, from 4 until 10 P. M. in the parish house of the Church of the Resurrection, Broad and Tioga Streets. Each parish is asked to send representatives of their young people, whether they be in the Y. P. F., G. F. S., Church School or no organization at all. The United Movement of the Church's Youth program for 1944-45 will be presented and discussed in a very concrete way so that the youth program in the parish can be planned. Detailed information will be sent to rectors and delegates to last year's convention.

The Youth Convention comes the day before Youth Sunday, October 15th, which is observed by parishes all over the country. It is at this time that the United Youth Offering, which goes this year to provide spiritual, educational and recreational aid to prisoners of war, is presented. Publicity for the Youth Sunday and information about the offering have been printed in attractive form.

There will be a training class for study leaders, led by Mrs. Robert Frazier on Wednesday, November 8, 15 and 22, at 2 P. M., in the Church House. The subject will be the first of the topics chosen for study (1944-45), "The American Indian." This notice is especially for Educational Secretaries and Leaders!

CHURCHES TO CLOTHE THE PEOPLE OF EUROPE

WILL YOUR PARISH HELP?

The liberated peoples of Europe need clothing immediately.

The churches and synagogues of America—represented by the Church Committee on Overseas Relief and Reconstruction, the National Catholic Welfare Conference, and the National Council of Jewish Women—have agreed to provide 15 million pounds of clothing by October.

PRESIDING BISHOP'S FUND FOR WORLD RELIEF.

ALMON R. PEPPER, *Secretary.*

Co-operating:

Woman's Auxiliary.

National Council Division of Youth.

National Council Division of Christian Education.

National Council Division of Christian Social Relations.

Girls' Friendly Society of America.

In the Diocese

The eleventh anniversary of the Christian Settlement House, 53 North 12th Street, was observed on September 5th. Since its opening it has given shelter over night to 1,000,000 and served meals to over 2,000,000 persons. St. Martin's Chapel is a part of the work and is in charge of the Rev. Delber W. Clark as Chaplain. Among the members of the Board of Directors are the Rev. Messrs. Roak, Shryock, Hursh, Bomberger and Wood.

The Rev. George McKinley, Vicar, dedicated an attractive Honor Roll for members of St. Mark's Church, Honey Brook, who are serving in the armed forces.

This summer St. Barnabas' Church, 112 Rittenhouse Street, Germantown, celebrated its fortieth anniversary. At the same time the Rev. E. Sydnor Thomas celebrated his thirty-seventh anniversary as Vicar and Rector of St. Barnabas.

Dr. George Calvert Carter, Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr, from 1910 to 1929, died in New York on August 9th at the age of 77.

The Rev. Crowell McBee, Rector, on September 3rd, conducted services in Old St. David's Church, Radnor, in celebration of the 230th anniversary of the parish.

Flag Day was observed at the Washington Memorial Chapel, Valley Forge, at a special service sponsored by the Flag Day Association. Judge Leopold C. Glass, President of the Association, delivered the address.

On July 25th, Mr. John Brock Lear died, after serving for twenty years as Accounting Warden of the Church of St. Martins-in-the-Field. He was also Treasurer of the Church Club of Philadelphia.

The 184th anniversary of Christ Church (Old Swedes), Bridgeport, Pa., Rev. James H. Lamb, Rector, was observed on July 25th. The Rev. John H. Bomberger, Rector of the Church of Holy Apostles and Mediator, delivered the sermon.

BOOK REVIEW

A Z You Were. By Alva J. Brasted, with cartoons by Edgar Allen, Jr. New York: Morehouse-Gorham, 1944. 156 pages, 26 cartoons.

Chaplain Brasted has written a little book for service men, based on his experience of their needs, which combines in an unusual way religion, patriotism and humor. The latter is supplied by the cartoons, which were drawn by a corporal

who was formerly a magazine cartoonist. The book consists of twenty-six sections, each based on a word beginning with one of the letters of the alphabet, from A (alertness) to Z (zealousness). For X, the author is forced to use Xian, which is ingenious. Each section gives good advice as to how men should behave in the army. While the book is primarily intended for men in the service, to whom it might be sent as a gift, anyone who likes Edgar Guest would enjoy reading it.

J. K. SHRYOCK.

Confirmation Schedule

BISHOP HART

October 1st—Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

A.M. Gulph Mills—Trinity.
P.M. Gladwyne—St. Joseph.

October 8th—Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

A.M. Kennett Square—Advent.
P.M. Kelton—St. John.

October 15th—Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity

A.M. Phila.—Christ, Franklinville.
Evg. Phila.—St. Barnabas, Kensington.

October 22nd—Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

Evg. Phila.—St. George, West.

October 29th—Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity

A.M. Phila.—St. Jude and Nativity, 100th Anniversary and Confirmation.
Evg. Marcus Hook—St. Martin, Anniversary and Confirmation.

November 1st—Wednesday (All Saints' Day)

Evg. Phila.—St. Augustine.

November 5th—Twenty-second Sunday after Trinity

A.M. Phila.—Atonement.
P.M. or Evg. Phila.—St. Barnabas, Haddington.

November 8th—Wednesday

Evg. Newtown—St. Luke.

November 12th—Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity

A.M. Phila.—St. Mark, Frankford.
Evg. Phila.—St. George, Richmond, and St. George, Venango.

November 19th—Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity

A.M. Phila.—St. Matthew, Francisville.
P.M. or Evg. Good Shepherd, Kensington.

November 26th—Sunday next before Advent

A.M. Phila.—St. Luke and Epiphany.
P.M. or Evg. Phila.—St. David, Manayunk.

December 3rd—First Sunday in Advent

A.M. Bryn Mawr—Redeemer.
Evg. Phila.—Calvary, Northern Liberties.

December 6th—Wednesday

Evg. Media—Christ.

December 10th—Second Sunday in Advent

A.M. Phila.—Advocate Memorial.
P.M. Rosemont—Good Shepherd.

December 17th—Third Sunday in Advent

A.M. Phila.—Holy Innocents, Tacony.
Evg. Phila.—Emmanuel, Kensington.

December 24th—Fourth Sunday in Advent

A.M. Whitmarsh—St. Thomas.

December 31st—First Sunday after Christmas (New Year's Eve)

A.M. Phila.—Emmanuel, Holmesburg.

BISHOP ROBERTS

A.M. Brookline—St. Faith.
P.M. Phila.—Resurrection, Mayfair.
Evg. Phila.—Ascension, Rhawnhurst.

A.M. Phila.—St. John Free.
Evg. Phila.—St. Thomas.

A.M. Meadowbrook—Huntingdon Valley Chapel.

A.M. Conshohocken—Calvary.
Evg. Weldon—St. Peter.

A.M. Phoenixville—St. Peter, and Royersford—Epiphany.
P.M. Perkiomen—St. James.
Evg. Oaks—St. Paul.

P.M. Phila.—House of Prayer.
Evg. Phila.—Zion.

A.M. Norristown—St. Augustine's and St. John.
Evg. Phila.—St. Barnabas, Germantown.

A.M. Phila.—Christ Ch. and St. Michael.
P.M. Phila.—St. Luke, Germantown.
Evg. Phila.—Annunciation and St. Christopher's.

A.M. Phila.—St. Peter, Germantown.
Evg. Phila.—Grace Church and The Incarnation.

A.M. Ardmore—St. George.
P.M. Phila.—St. Alban, Roxborough.
Evg. Phila.—St. Timothy, Roxborough.

A.M. Phila.—Calvary, Germantown.
Evg. Phila.—St. Martin, Oak Lane.

A.M. Phila.—Holy Nativity, Rockledge.
P.M. Phila.—St. Aidan, Cheltenham.
Evg. Phila.—Trinity, Oxford.

A.M. Phila.—St. Andrew, West.

A.M. Phila.—St. Gabriel, Feltonville.
P.M. Phila.—St. Nathaniel.
Evg. Phila.—St. Ambrose.

Important Anniversaries

Many Churches of This Diocese Will Celebrate Historic Anniversaries This Month

200th ANNIVERSARY

The 200th anniversary of the erection of the present Church of St. Peter's in the Great Valley, Paoli, will be celebrated on Sunday afternoon, October 15th, at 3:00 o'clock. Bishop Hart will speak and letters of greeting will be read from President Roosevelt, Lord Halifax, Governor Martin and Bishop Tucker.

At the same service the restored interior, given in memory of George P. Orr, Jr., will be dedicated.

ST. MARTIN'S ON THE DELAWARE

The 242nd anniversary of the quaint old historic St. Martin's Church on the Delaware at Marcus Hook, Pa., will be observed the week of October 22nd to 29th.

Time was when the church was in the center of population in Lower Chichester Township, when the people of Marcus Hook had a very lucrative fishing industry. The shift of population and the coming of the oil refineries has placed St. Martin's between the Sun Oil and the Sinclair Oil. Except for one square on each side of Market Street, the property has been absorbed by these industries, and the Delaware at this place is now a busy shipping center.

On Sunday, October 22nd, 10:45 A. M.: Holy Communion and Sermon. The Very Rev. Allan Evans, Dean, Philadelphia Divinity School, will be the preacher.

Thursday, October 26th, 8:00 P. M., in the Parish House, a friendly get-together of the parishioners and friends and an address by Dr. Francis Harvey Green, formerly of West Chester Teachers' College, now of Pennington Boys' School. Dr. Green was born and lived his early life at Booth's Corner, near Marcus Hook.

Sunday, October 29th, at 10:45 A. M.: Morning prayer and sermon by the Rev. Melvin M. Heckler, Minister in charge. The John McKenna Sun Oil Post, No. 660,

American Legion, Marcus Hook Girl Scouts, and other organizations have been invited to the service.

7:45 P. M. of the same day, the crowning event will come with the visit of the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, who will preach and administer the rite of Confirmation.

We are hoping to make these services a great home-coming of former St. Martin people.

75TH ANNIVERSARY OF TRINITY, COATESVILLE

In anticipation of the 75th anniversary of the Church of the Trinity, Coatesville, a successful effort was made this summer to liquidate a note for \$2,500. Bishop Hart will participate in the celebration on October 24th, which will mark the 75th anniversary of the founding of the Parish, the 50th anniversary of the building of the present stone church by Bishop Garland while he was Rector at Coatesville, and the 10th anniversary of the Rev.

Henry Stuart Paynter as Rector. This parish recently received a bequest of \$125 under the will of the late S. Lagges.

ONE HUNDRED YEARS

The Church of St. Jude and the Nativity, Philadelphia, will celebrate the one hundredth anniversary of its incorporation as a parish on Sunday, October 29, 1944. Bishop Hart will preach.

The centennial in the life of a parish church at one site is an important milestone and deserves not only to be well marked but also to receive more than passing notice. Continuous life from 1844 to 1944 means passing through many transition periods and overcoming many obstacles. The Rev. John L. Saunders is Rector.

The Church of the Nativity in 1844 at 11th and Mt. Vernon Streets and St. Jude's Church in 1848 at Franklin and Brown Streets, were located in the District of Spring Garden, lying north of Vine Street, the northern boundary of Penn's City of Philadelphia.

If the parish is to be a continuing one beyond its centennial more workers and larger financial support are needed. The buildings and equipment are here. While much

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Plans have been approved for the erection of a stained glass window in St. Paul's Church, Chester, in memory of Bishop Taitt.

The window selected for the Memorial is the Great West Window of the Church facing on Broad Street.

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The Memorial will cost \$8,000.00. It has been divided into eight hundred ten-dollar units, so that as many as possible of Bishop Taitt's friends and persons who were baptized, married and confirmed by the Bishop may be represented in the window.

Any person may subscribe to one or more units in the window or

may make a smaller contribution if he so desires.

Contributions should be sent to Robert C. Stephenson, Treasurer of the Bishop Taitt Memorial Window Fund, in care of St. Paul's Church, Broad and Madison Streets, Chester, Pennsylvania.

The window has been designed by the Willet Studio of Philadelphia.

ORDINATIONS

On June 3, 1944, in Grace Church, Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, Bishop of Pennsylvania, ordained to the Diaconate the following Candidates:

Rev. Edward Daley, presented by the Rev. Franklin Joiner, D.D., Rector of St. Clement's Church, Philadelphia. The Rev. Mr. Daley will return to Nashotah House to continue his work for the summer.

Rev. Craig Eduard Eder, presented by the Rev. Charles E. Eder, D.D., Rector of Grace Church, Mt. Airy. The Rev. Mr. Eder will become Curate at All Saints Church, Chevy Chase, Maryland, working under the Rev. Charles W. Lowry, Jr., Ph.D.

Rev. Raymond Allan Gill, presented by the Rev. William T. Metz, Vicar of St. Gabriel's Church, Philadelphia. The Rev. Mr. Gill will go to Liberia in December.

Rev. Charles Homer Hanby, presented by the Rev. Franklin Joiner, D.D. The Rev. Mr. Hanby will go to the Diocese of Nassau about August 15, 1944.

Rev. Kenneth Cadman Morris, presented by the Rev. E. Felix Kroman. The Rev. Mr. Morris will become Curate at Christ Church, Philadelphia.

Rev. Ronald Ansley Wiley, presented by the Rev. Charles H. Long, Secretary of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. The Rev. Mr. Wiley will take up work at the Church of the Redeemer, Andalusia, Pa.

The following Deacons were advanced to the Priesthood at the same service:

Rev. Vernon Matthews, presented by the Rev. H. Cresson McHenry. The Rev. Mr. Matthews is Assistant Minister at the

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V-Day Services

A service of thanksgiving and dedication will be held in most of our churches following the announcement of Germany's surrender. Find out from your rector what the plans are in your church. I suggest that all the churches be open and that short services be held during the twenty-four hours following the official announcement that the fighting has ceased in any theatre of the war.

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The Reverend Joseph Cullen Ayer, Jr., was born in Newton, Massachusetts, in 1866. He attended Harvard and the Episcopal Theological School at Cambridge. Ordained in 1887, he was first curate at St. John's, Charlestown, and later in charge of St. James', South Groveland, Massachusetts. In 1890 he proceeded to Europe for graduate study at Berlin, Halle, and Leipsic, and was awarded his Ph.D. at Leipsic in 1893. Upon his return to America, Dr. Ayer was successively Rector of St. James' Church, Keene, New Hampshire; St. Paul's Church, Nantucket, and the churches at Sandwich, Barnstable and Lexington (all in Massachusetts) until 1905. From 1901 to 1905, he had been Lecturer at the Cambridge School.

In 1905 Dr. Ayer entered upon his life work as Professor of Ecclesiastical History at The Philadelphia Divinity School, which position he retained until his retirement in 1936. From 1929 to 1936, he was also Rector of St. Philip's Church, Philadelphia. For several years he was co-Editor of *The Church Standard*. For many years he was Librarian of the Yarnall Library. He served as Lecturer on the History of Religions at the University of Pennsylvania for nine years.

Dr. Ayer was honored with the Doctorate in Sacred Theology from the University of the South, the Doctorate in Divinity from the Cambridge School, and the Doctorate in Canon Law from The Philadelphia School. He was a member of the American Historical Society, and had served as President of the American Society of Church History. His Leipsic dissertation was on the Ethical System of Joseph Butler. He published several volumes on Early Church Orators and on Christian Architecture.

Dr. Ayer's most significant contribution to theology was his *Source Book for Ancient Church History*, published in 1913, a volume warmly welcomed by progressive scholars everywhere.

While Dr. Ayer was primarily an historian, nevertheless the majority of his studies while in Germany were not in history but in philosophy. This broad basis of philosophical and psychological science formed a magnificent basis and background

for the minute details of his historical studies.

Forthright in controversy, hating all sham arguments, yet kindly and courteous, it is with these characteristics that his memory will be cherished.

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Resolutions were adopted by the Joint Boards of The Divinity School in Philadelphia, The Clericus, and The Clerical Brotherhood of the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Ayer died April 15, 1944; burial, April 18, 1944, St. Andrew's Chapel.

THE ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild of the Diocese will hold its Autumn Evening Meeting on Wednesday, October 4th. The custom will be followed of having a "Quiet Evening" of prayer and meditation.

The service will be held in St. Clement's Church, 20th and Cherry Streets, and the Rev. S. Taggart Steele, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Germantown, will give the meditations.

The first meditation will be at half-past five o'clock. There will be a box supper about six-thirty in St. Clement's Parish House. The second meditation will follow, and each of the meditations will be followed by a period of quiet. The service will close about nine o'clock.

Each person attending is asked to bring her own supper, and coffee will be served.

It is hoped all members of the Altar Guilds will make every effort to attend, and any women of the parishes who would like to come will be very welcome.

HELEN E. SPRECHER,
Corresponding Secretary.

ORDINATIONS

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Church of St. John the Evangelist, Philadelphia.

Rev. Melvin Meyer Heckler, presented by the Rev. Nathanael B. Groton, D.D. The Rev. Mr. Heckler is Priest-in-charge of St. Martin's Church, Marcus Hook, Pa.

Rev. Charles Bright Mauch, presented by the Rev. Charles E. Eder, D.D., is Priest-in-charge of St. Nathanael's Church, Philadelphia.

On June 4, 1944, in St. Mary's Church, Wayne, Pa., the Rt. Rev. Oliver J. Hart, S.T.D., ordained to the Diaconate the Rev. Eugene Evans Botelho. The Rev. Mr. Botelho will take up work in the Diocese of Kansas under the Rt. Rev. Goodrich R. Fenner, S.T.D.

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SECRETARY'S NOTES

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The Journal has been printed and distributed. Should extra copies be desired they may be purchased at the cost of one dollar a copy. With the co-operation of committees, reports were reduced and a saving in paper and money was accomplished.

Opportunity is given for the clergy of the Diocese and their friends to meet in an attractive atmosphere in the Church House every Monday. The Clerical Brotherhood, which is non-partisan, arranges an excellent program of speakers for the morning sessions and in the afternoon informal gatherings meet in the front room, first

floor. No invitation is needed to come to these friendly chats with your fellow clergyman.

The Synod of the Province of Washington will meet October 17th, 18th and 19th in Lancaster, Pa. The elected deputies from the Diocese of Pennsylvania are: The Rev. Edmund H. Carhart, the Rev. James M. Collins, the Rev. Franklin Joiner, and the Rev. Charles H. Long, Messrs. Edward B. Clay, William B. Read, Jasper W. Nichols, and George T. David.

A part of the work of the Diocese that is seldom mentioned is that carried on by Lay Readers. During the past summer many of these faithful men were in charge of mis-

sions and parishes and thereby made possible a vacation for the clergymen. A Lay Reader is appointed by the Bishop at the request of a Dean or a Rector, and the Lay Reader makes a report to the Bishop before the renewal of the appointment. The Secretary would suggest that these reports be made before November 15th.

Word has been received of the death of Mr. Chauncey S. Wise at Marysville, Pa., on August 22nd, (age 93) who was Lay Reader for many years in the Church of the Holy Trinity, Philadelphia. He was active in the work of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and with true Christian devotion he accepted every assignment to do the work of his Master.

Mr. A. J. County, Lay Reader, St. Alban Chapel, Newtown Square, died suddenly on Sunday, August 20th, at his summer home in South Bristol, Maine. He was also vestryman at St. David, Radnor.

Word also has been received of the death of the Rev. George C. Carter, D.D. (retired) sometime Rector of the Church of the Redeemer, Bryn Mawr. Dr. Carter died August 9th, in New York City and the burial office was conducted in St. Bartholomew, New York City. Dr. Carter was 77 years of age.

Since the last issue of THE CHURCH NEWS, Trinity Church, Swarthmore, has cleared its mortgage and the church is free of debt. This not only speaks well of the work of the Rector and congregation, but it gives encouragement to other churches which are trying to reduce their indebtedness.

The Rectory Club, which includes the women of the rectory, has elected Mrs. Oliver J. Hart as President. This is a social group and meets three times during the year. The next meeting will be Tuesday, November 14th. Mrs. Frank Bonyngue is Secretary and will gladly give further information to those who desire it.

A correction is being made in the May-June number of THE CHURCH NEWS on the report of the Convention in which remarks attributed to Mr. Miller are not according to facts.

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